

## **MEMORANDUM**

DATE: JUNE 7, 1993

MEMO TO: ALL BUILDERS/CONTRACTORS/SUPERINTENDENTS

FROM: BUILDING INSPECTION DIVISION, CITY OF GRAPEVINE

SUBJECT: PIER INSPECTION

STARTING DATE: **MONDAY, JUNE 21, 1993**

The City of Grapevine's Building Inspection Division will be implementing a new service for the residential construction industry starting Monday, June 21, 1993. This new service will be alternatives for Pier Inspections. We will offer three alternatives for Pier Inspection, which are:

1. When all piers are drilled and meet minimum standards or the design of the engineer, the piers may be called for inspection at 481-0366. An inspection will be conducted as usual by a City Inspector.
2. An approved testing lab may be employed to conduct an inspection and submit a report to the Building Division. When the report has been received and reviewed, if correct, then the inspection will be passed. The minimum information required is:
  - a. Document time of arrival and departure of technician from the job site;
  - b. Diameter of piers comply with approved plans;
  - c. Depth of piers comply with approved plans;
  - d. Size grade and location of reinforcing steel complies with approved plans;
  - e. Correct number of piers as shown on approved plans;
  - f. Correct location of piers as shown on approved plans; and,
  - g. Problems encountered and solutions, if any.

**Approved plans are the foundation plans that have a City of Grapevine stamp "APPROVED."**

3. The engineer of record may perform the inspection in lieu of a testing lab, following the same criteria as the testing lab in 2.a. through 2.f.

All pier inspections will be called in as if the Building Inspection Division is doing the inspection. The reason for this, is to insure that the person conducting the inspection has a copy of the criteria for submittal. This will insure that a delay in recording the inspection is avoided due to insufficient information submitted for review and approval.

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